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SUBJECT: CIVAIR - BAHAMASAIR DEVELOPMENTS

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1. DEPARTMENT TODAY RECEIVED BRITISH EMBASSY NOTE DATED JUNE 15 SETTING FORTH INTENTION OF HMG TO DESIGNATE " BAHAMASAIR HOLDINGS LTD." FOR SERVICES ON UK ROUTE 6 AND 9. NOTE ADDS THAT DESIGNATION OF " BAHAMASAIR ON UNITED KINGDOM ROUTE 6 WOULD BE IN REPLACEMENT OF THE DESIGNATION OF OUT ISLAND AIRWAYS ON THIS ROUTE MADE ON 20 NOVEMBER 1970".

2. WE HAVE ASKED BRITISH EMBOFF FOR ADDITIONAL DETAILS, PARTICULARLY WHETHER " BAHAMASAIR HOLDINGS LTD." IS HOLDING COMPANY CITED IN JUNE 5 APPLICATION BY OUT ISLAND AIRWAYS (OIA) TO USE NAME " BAHAMASAIR" AND IS IN FACT AN " AIRLINE". EMBOFF UNDERTOOK TO MAKE INQUIRIES AND REPORT BACK.
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STATUS IS FACTOR SINCE US- UK BILATERAL AUTHORIZES PARTIES
TO AGREEMENT TO DESIGNATE ONE OR MORE " AIRLINES" FOR
SERVICE, AND HOLDING COMPANY APPEARS AT THIS POINT TO BE NOT
AN AIRLINE BUT RATHER A CORPORATE MIDWIFE WHOSE PURPOSE IS
TO PRESIDE OVER BIRTH OF NEW BUT SEPARATE AIRLINE, MOTHER-
ED BY OIA. CAP ATTORNEYS ARE STUDYING THIS AND OTHER
LEGAL ASPECTS OF PROPOSED DESIGNATION.

3. IN ORDER HELP CLARIFY PICTURE, CONGEN REQUESTED TO AS-
CERTAIN WHETHER " BAHAMASAIR HOLDINGS LTD." APPEARS TO
QUALIFY AS " AIRLINE". ROGERS

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